



**Commission for Women  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Sept. 4, 2013**

The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on Sept. 4, 2013 at City Hall, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room #1101 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Flannery Bope called the Board Meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Flannery Bope, Katie Naranjo, Julia Cuba, Julia Aguilar, Rachael Torres

**Staff in Attendance:** Dolores Gonzalez, Sandra Adame

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

- Representative Donna Howard spoke to the commission about several topics, including the Fair Pay Bill that is the House and Senate. She also talked about women's health care. Some funds for family planning were restored in Texas, but not through Planned Parenthood. She said there is a Texas Women's Health Coalition in that is tracking information. This coalition promotes access to women's healthcare and family planning for all Texas women.

**STAFF BRIEFING**

- John Steiner from the City of Austin Law Dept. spoke to commission about partnerships with commission. Co-sponsoring is allowed if it helps promote municipal purpose. Partnerships, however, have to meet certain eligibility requirements including: 1. Serve municipal purpose. 2. Sufficient control that purpose achieved. 3. If funds are being spent, justify and document that the city is getting its money's worth.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Hall of Fame logistics was discussed, such as location for reception, advertising, etc.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Women's Fund of Central of Texas was unable to attend meeting. Commissioner Cuba explained that they are trying to compile data about women in Central Texas, which would generate a report that would better help agencies, such as the Austin Women's Commission, help with issues for women in the Austin community. They would like to partner with commission and possibly need help with printing report.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM:**

- More discussion on Women's Fund of Central Texas

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**ADJOURN:** Commissioner Torres moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:00pm, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar. Motion was approved without objection. Chair Bope adjourned the meeting.

